

Chapter 1

Circuit Terminology

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Chapter 1 Objectives

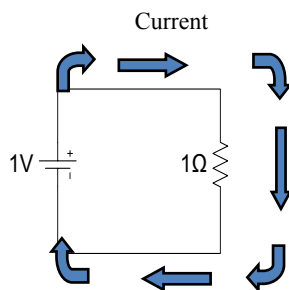
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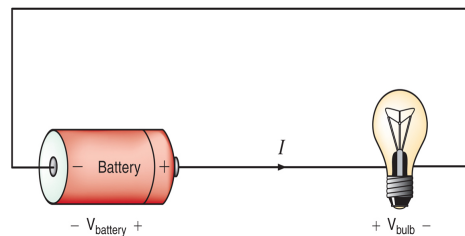
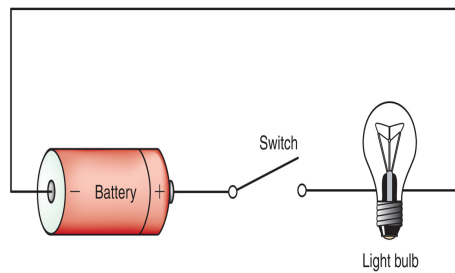
TABLE 1.3 Standardized Prefixes to Signify Powers of 10

Prefix	Symbol	Power
atto	a	10^{-18}
femto	f	10^{-15}
pico	p	10^{-12}
nano	n	10^{-9}
micro	μ	10^{-6}
milli	m	10^{-3}
centi	c	10^{-2}
deci	d	10^{-1}
deka	da	10
hecto	h	10^2
kilo	k	10^3
mega	M	10^6
giga	G	10^9
tera	T	10^{12}

Simple Circuit



- Voltage
- Current
- Resistance

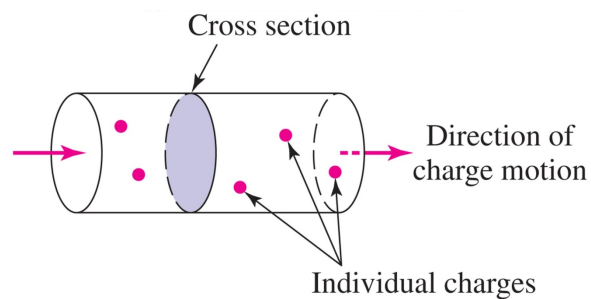


Charge (Q) and Current (I)

- The symbol for charge is Q or q and the unit is coulomb (C).
- Charge is bipolar, meaning that there can be either positive or negative charges.
- Electrical effects are attributed to both the separation of charge, *voltage*, and charges in motion, *current*. In other words, **voltage** is more like *potential energy* while **current** is more like *kinetic energy*.

Current

Current is the rate of charge flow: $I = dq/dt$

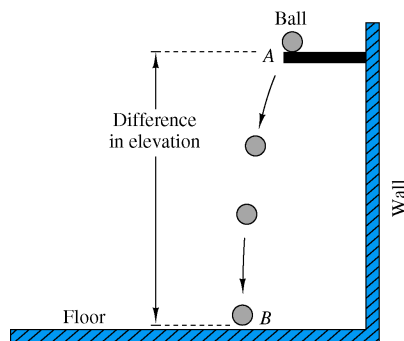


Voltage and Potential Energy



Voltage (V or v)

- Voltage is the measure of work required to move charge through a circuit element.
- The unit of voltage is volt (V) = Joule/Coulomb = J/C.
- Voltage can exist between a pair of terminals whether a current is flowing or not. A battery is a good example of this.



Power and Energy

- Power is the time rate of expending or absorbing energy:

$$\mathbf{P = dw/dt}$$

where

P = the power in watts;

w = the energy in joules;

t = the time in seconds.

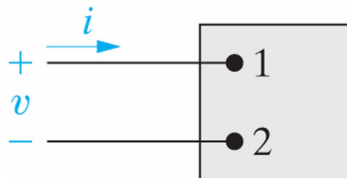
- From the definitions for current and voltage, power is also voltage times current:

$$\mathbf{P = VI} \quad \text{or more precisely:} \quad \mathbf{P = \pm VI}$$

Passive Sign Convention

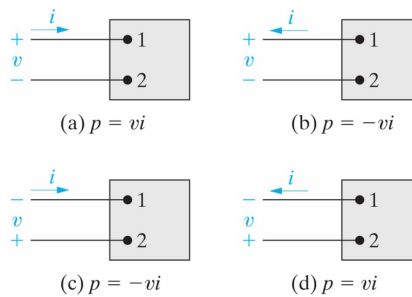
- Voltage and current can be either positive or negative, depending on how you specify a *reference*. To be consistent, we will adopt the **Passive Sign Convention**:

Whenever the reference direction for the current in an element is in the direction of the reference voltage drop across the element, use a positive sign in any expression that relates the voltage to the current. Otherwise, use a negative sign.

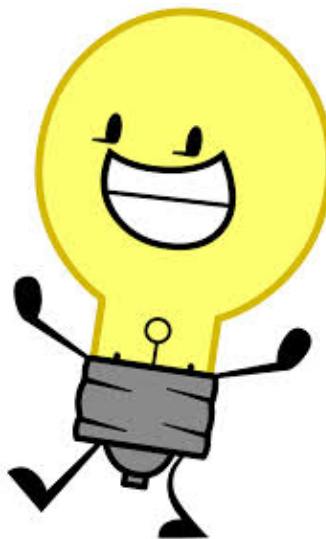


Power and the Passive Sign Convention

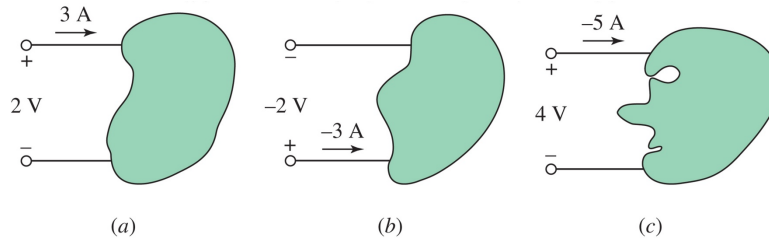
- Power is positive if the reference direction for the current is in the direction of the reference drop across the terminals of an element.
- When power is positive, the element is *absorbing* power.
- When power is negative, the element is *supplying* power.



Power and Energy – Practically Speaking



Power Example



How much power is absorbed by the three elements above?

$$P_a = +6 \text{ W} \quad P_b = +6 \text{ W} \quad P_c = -20 \text{ W}$$

Note: (c) is actually supplying power

Textbook Problem 1.14 (Nilsson 11E)

- One 12 V battery supplies 100 mA to a boom box. How much energy does the battery supply in 4 hours?

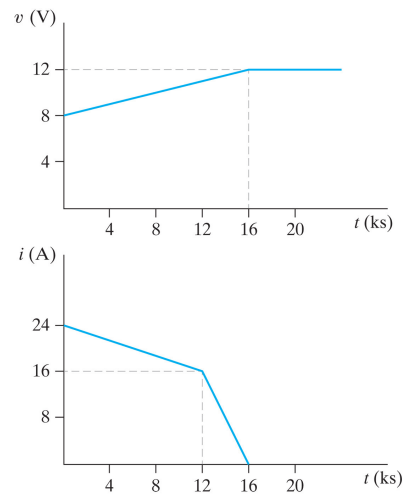
$$Power = VI = 12 (0.1) = 1.2 \text{ W}$$

$$4 \text{ hours} = 14,400 \text{ Seconds}$$

$$Energy = \text{integral of power} = 17.28 \text{ kJ}$$

Textbook Problem 1.27 (Nilsson 11E)

- The voltage and current at the terminals of an automobile battery are shown at the right. Calculate the total charge and energy transferred to the battery.



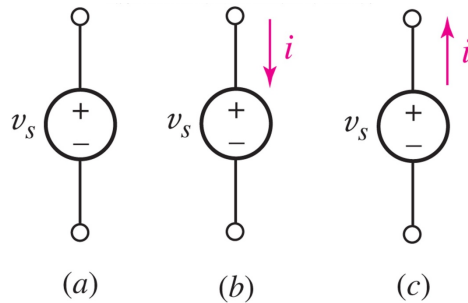
*Charge = integral of current
over time = 272kC*
*Energy = integral of power
over time = 2619kJ*

Various Circuit Elements

- Electric sources
 - Independent Sources – voltage, current;
 - Dependent Sources – voltage, current.
- Resistors, inductors, capacitors
- Measurement devices
 - Ammeters (current);
 - Voltmeters (volts);
 - Ohmmeters (resistance).
- Electric wire

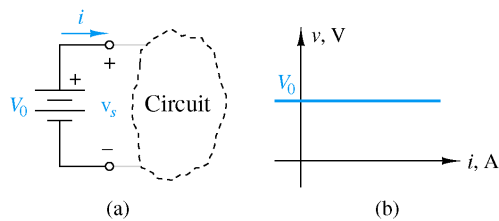
Independent Voltage Sources

- An ideal voltage source is a circuit element that will maintain the specified voltage v_s across its terminals.



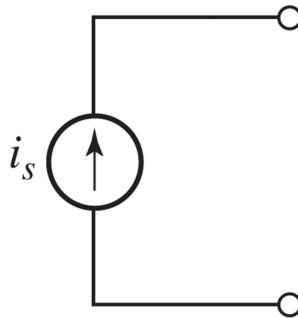
A Battery as an Independent Voltage Source

- An “ideal” battery is an example of an independent voltage source.
 - A “real-world” battery has a maximum power that it can deliver.



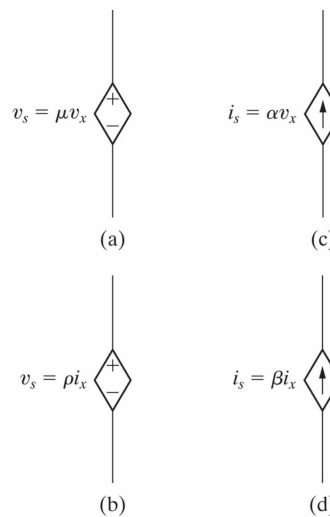
Independent Current Sources

- An ideal current source is a circuit element that maintains the specified current flow i_s through its terminals.



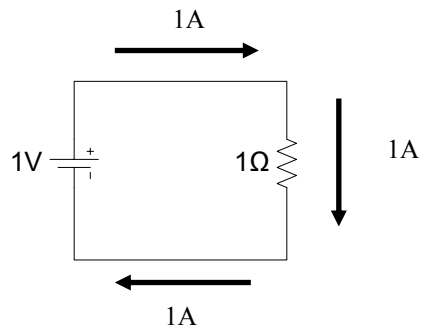
Dependent Voltage and Current Sources

- A *dependent* voltage or current source establishes a voltage or current whose value depends on a voltage or current elsewhere in the circuit.



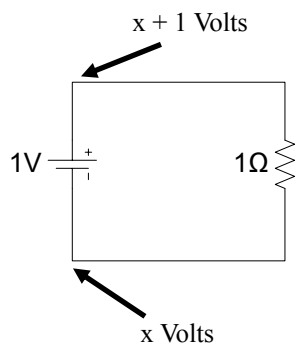
Current

- Current is the same in all elements connected in *Series*.



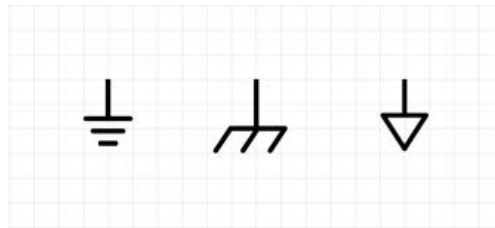
Voltage

- Voltage is the same for all elements connected in *Parallel*.

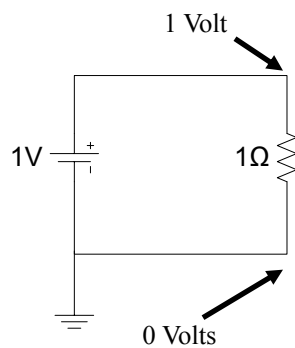


The Concept of Ground

- *Ground* is commonly referred to as a *reference point*.
- *Ground* is said to be at a potential of 0.00 volts. In other words, *Ground* has zero voltage because it is referenced to itself.
- Ground symbols:

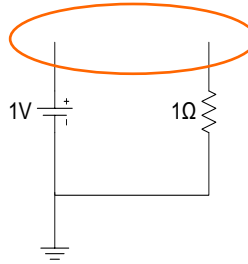


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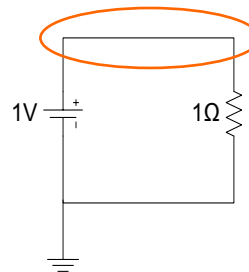
Open Circuit

- An *open circuit* means no current can flow ($i = 0$).
- *Voltage across* an open circuit can be any value.
- An open circuit is equivalent to a resistance of $\infty \Omega$.
- *Open circuit summary*:
 - Infinite resistance;
 - Zero current;
 - Voltage can be any value.



Short Circuit

- A *short circuit* means the voltage is zero ($v = 0$).
- *Current through* a short circuit can be any value.
- A short circuit is equivalent to a resistance of 0Ω .
- *Short circuit summary*:
 - Zero resistance;
 - Zero voltage drop;
 - Current can be any value.



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